

# Outline of Medicare Supplement Coverage

## Cover Page

### Benefit Plans E and J

Medicare supplement coverage can be sold in only ten (10) standard plans. This chart shows the benefits included in each plan. Every company must make available Plan A. Some plans may not be available in your state. The HCA is offering Plans E and J.

**BASIC BENEFITS:** Included in all plans.  
**Hospitalization:** Part A coinsurance plus coverage for 365 additional days after Medicare benefits end.  
**Medical Expenses:** Part B coinsurance (20% of Medicare-approved expenses).  
**Blood:** First three pints of blood each year.

A	B	C	D	*E*	F	G	H	I	*J*
Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits	Basic Benefits
		Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance	Skilled Nursing Co-insurance
	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible	Part A Deductible
		Part B Deductible			Part B Deductible				Part B Deductible
					Part B Excess (100%)	Part B Excess (80%)		Part B Excess (100%)	Part B Excess (100%)
		Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency	Foreign Travel Emergency
			At-Home Recovery			At-Home Recovery		At-Home Recovery	At-Home Recovery
							Basic Drugs \$1,250 limit	Basic Drugs \$1,250 limit	Extended Drugs \$3,000 limit
				Preventive Care					Preventive Care

**SUBSCRIPTION CHARGES AND PAYMENT MODES:**  
Rates Effective January 1, 2003

**Eligibility by Age**

**Eligibility by Disability**

**PLAN E**

\$ 92.70	PBC Total Monthly Rate
\$ 51.98	PEBB Retiree PAYS (Subscriber)
\$ 98.33	PEBB Retiree PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)
\$ 92.70	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber)
\$ 185.40	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)

\$148.32	PBC Total Monthly Rate
\$ 79.79	PEBB Employee PAYS (Subscriber)
\$153.95	PEBB Employee PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)
\$148.32	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber)
\$296.64	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)

**PLAN J**

\$233.25	PBC Total Monthly Rate
\$146.14	PEBB Retiree PAYS (Subscriber)
\$286.65	PEBB Retiree PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)
\$233.25	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber)
\$466.50	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)

\$373.20	PBC Total Monthly Rate
\$286.09	PEBB Employee PAYS (Subscriber)
\$566.55	PEBB Employee PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)
\$373.20	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber)
\$746.40	State Resident PAYS (Subscriber & Spouse)

## **SUBSCRIPTION CHARGES INFORMATION**

We, Premera Blue Cross (PBC), can only raise your subscription charges if we raise the subscription charge for all contracts like yours in this state.

## **DISCLOSURES**

Use this outline to compare benefits and subscription charges among contracts.

## **READ YOUR CONTRACT VERY CAREFULLY**

This is only an outline describing your contract's most important features. You must read the contract itself to understand all of the rights and duties of both you and your Medicare supplement carrier.

## **RIGHT TO RETURN CONTRACT**

If you find that you are not satisfied with your coverage, you may return it to 7001 - 220th St. S.W., Mountlake Terrace, Washington 98043-2124. If you send the contract back to us within thirty (30) days after you receive it, we will treat the contract as if it had never been issued and return all of your payments.

## **POLICY REPLACEMENT**

If you are replacing another health insurance policy, do NOT cancel it until you have actually received your new contract and are sure you want to keep it.

## **NOTICE**

This contract may not fully cover all of your medical costs.

Premera Blue Cross is not connected with Medicare.

This outline of coverage does not give all the details of Medicare coverage. Contact your local Social Security office or consult "The Medicare Handbook" for more details.

## **COMPLETE ANSWERS ARE VERY IMPORTANT**

Review the application carefully before you sign it. Be certain that all information has been properly recorded.

**PLAN E**  
**MEDICARE (PART A) - HOSPITAL SERVICES - PER BENEFIT PERIOD**

\* A benefit period begins on the first day you receive service as an inpatient in a hospital and ends after you have been out of the hospital and have not received skilled care in any other facility for 60 days in a row.

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>Hospitalization*</b> Semiprivate room and board, general nursing and miscellaneous services and supplies First 60 days  61st thru 90th day 91st day and after: -- While using 60 lifetime reserve days -- Once lifetime reserve days are used: --- Additional 365 days  --- Beyond the additional 365 days	All but \$812  All but \$203 a day  All but \$406 a day  \$0  \$0	\$812 (Part A deductible)  \$203 a day  \$406 a day  100% of Medicare eligible expenses \$0	\$0  \$0  \$0  \$0  All costs
<b>Skilled Nursing Facility Care*</b> You must meet Medicare's requirements, including having been in a hospital for at least 3 days and entered a Medicare-approved facility within 30 days after leaving the hospital First 20 days 21st thru 100th day 101st day and after	All approved amounts All but \$101.50 a day \$0	\$0 Up to \$101.50 a day \$0	\$0 \$0 All costs
<b>Blood</b> First 3 pints Additional amounts	\$0 100%	3 pints \$0	\$0 \$0
<b>Hospice Care</b> Available as long as your doctor certifies you are terminally ill and you elect to receive these services	All but very limited coinsurance for outpatient drugs and inpatient respite care	\$0	Balance

**PLAN E (continued)**  
**MEDICARE (PART B) - MEDICAL SERVICES - PER CALENDAR YEAR**

\* Once you have been billed \$100 of Medicare-Approved amounts for covered services (which are noted with an asterisk), your Part B Deductible will have been met for the calendar year.

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>Medical Expenses - In Or Out Of The Hospital And Outpatient Hospital Treatment</b> , such as physician's services, inpatient and outpatient medical and surgical services and supplies, physical and speech therapy, diagnostic tests, durable medical equipment, First \$100 of Medicare approved amounts* Remainder of Medicare approved amounts Part B excess charges (Above Medicare approved amounts)	   \$0 Generally 80%  \$0	   \$0 Generally 20%  \$0	   \$100 (Part B deductible) \$0  All costs
<b>Blood</b> First 3 pints Next \$100 of Medicare approved amounts* Remainder of Medicare approved amounts	 \$0 \$0 80%	 All costs \$0 20%	 \$0 \$100 (Part B deductible) \$0
<b>Clinical Laboratory Services - Blood Tests For Diagnostic Services</b>	100%	\$0	\$0

**PARTS A & B**

<b>Home Health Care-Medicare Approved Services</b> Medically necessary skilled care services and medical supplies Durable medical equipment First \$100 of Medicare approved amounts* Remainder of Medicare approved amounts	   100%  \$0 80%	   \$0 \$0 20%	   \$0 \$100 (Part B deductible) \$0
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**PLAN E (continued)**  
OTHER BENEFITS - NOT COVERED BY MEDICARE

SERVICES	MEDICARE PAYS	PLAN PAYS	YOU PAY
<b>Foreign Travel - Not Covered by Medicare</b> Medically necessary emergency care services beginning during the first 60 days of each trip outside the USA First \$250 each calendar year Remainder of charges	 \$0 \$0	 \$0 80% to a lifetime maximum benefit of \$50,000	 \$250 20% and amounts over the \$50,000 lifetime maximum
<b>Preventive Medicare Care Benefit - Not covered by Medicare</b> Annual physical and preventive tests and services such as: fecal occult blood test, digital rectal exam, mammogram, hearing screening, dipstick urinalysis, diabetes screening, thyroid function test, influenza shot, tetanus and diphtheria booster and education, administered or ordered by your doctor when not covered by Medicare  First \$120 each calendar year Additional charges	 \$0 \$0	 \$120 \$0	 \$0 All costs

**PLAN J**  
**MEDICARE (PART A) - HOSPITAL SERVICES - PER BENEFIT PERIOD**

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<b>At-home Recovery Services - Not covered by Medicare</b> Home care certified by your doctor, for personal care during recovery from an injury or sickness for which Medicare approved a Home Care Treatment Plan  Benefit for each visit  Number of visits covered (must be received within 8 weeks of last Medicare approved visit)   Calendar year maximum	  \$0  \$0   \$0	  Actual charges to \$40 a visit Up to the number of Medicare approved visits not to exceed 7 each week \$1,600	  Balance

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<b>Extended Outpatient Prescription Drugs - Not covered by Medicare</b> First \$250 each calendar year Next \$6,000 each calendar year  Over \$6,000 each calendar year	 \$0 \$0  \$0	 \$0 50% - \$3,000 calendar year maximum benefit \$0	 \$250 50%  All costs
<b>Preventive Medicare Care Benefit - Not covered by Medicare</b> Annual physical and preventive tests and services such as: fecal occult blood test, digital rectal exam, mammogram, hearing screening, dipstick urinalysis, diabetes screening, thyroid function test, influenza shot, tetanus and diphtheria booster and education, administered or ordered by your doctor when not covered by Medicare  First \$120 each calendar year Additional charges	      \$0 \$0	      \$120 \$0	      \$0 All costs